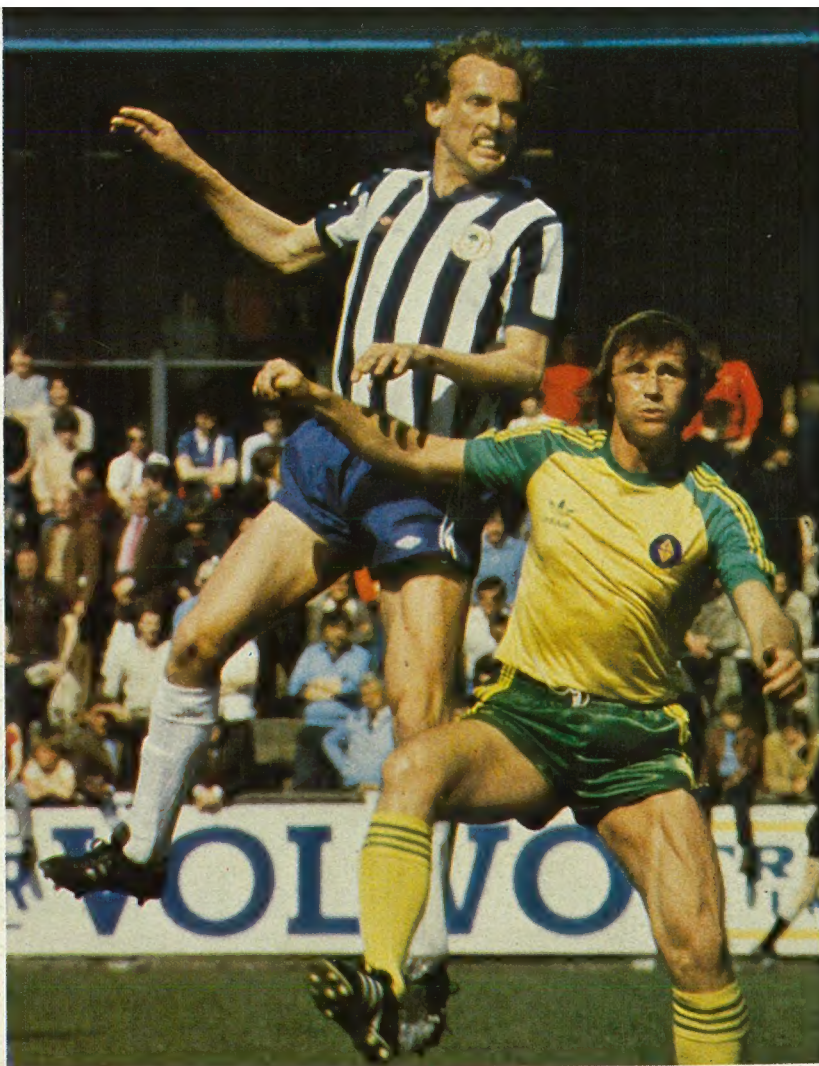


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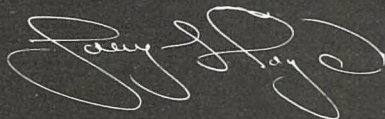
A WARM welcome this afternoon to Hereford United Football Club.

First of all, can I start my notes by making an apology to a section of the crowd on the far side of the ground. On Wednesday, against Darlington, I gesticulated to them on several occasions that I was not happy with them. Whilst I appreciate that people spend their hard earned money supporting us, and are entitled to criticise, I do feel that when things are not going too well on the field, then that is the time when I, and more importantly, the younger players in the team need lifting, and not knocking down all the time.

We have a good thing going now at Wigan, and you supporters are a vital part of the set-up. If we can all work together, and not against each other, then things can only get better.

Enjoy the game,

Larry Lloyd.




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Scene Four

TOPSY-TURVY HEREFORD CONFUSE EVERYONE!

HEREFORD UNITED, who won a seven-goal thriller at York last Saturday, come to Springfield Park with one of the finest away records in the Fourth Division. But, unless they managed to improve it against Stockport County on Wednesday, they have been returning just about the worst home results in the section. Hereford's topsy-turvy form has confused everyone. While they have been finding goals difficult to come by at home, they rushed into a 4-1 lead at York after just over an hour. They ended 4-3 winners, making their away goals tally of 12 one of the best in this division.

Rampant Bury continue to pile up the goals at Gigg Lane. Their latest victims were hapless Northampton who crashed 1-7 as the Shakers took their tally to 19 goals in their last four home games. Craig Madden hit the first hat-trick of his League career and became the country's leading scorer with 18 goals. That's already six better than his personal best tally for a completed season, achieved with Bury two seasons ago. Madden was spotted in non-League football with Northern Nomads and joined Bury four seasons ago. Steve Johnson, Bury's leading scorer last season with 21, scored two of the goals to take his tally to nine.

This seems to be a bad time of year for Northampton. Almost exactly a year ago to the day they were crushed 0-8 at Sincil Bank, Lincoln. The Cobblers' hiding came only seven days after they had recorded their first win of the season. They had given a most impressive performance when coming back from a 0-2 interval deficit to defeat Tranmere Rovers 3-2. They scarcely got a chance to show their fighting qualities at Gigg Lane where they went behind after eight minutes, and were trailing 0-6, before Steve Phillips netted their consolation goal with a penalty.

Sheffield United's top-of-the-table clash with Blackpool attracted the Fourth Division's largest crowd of the season: 15,566. Two goals from Bob Hatton and another from Mike Trusson gave the Blades a convincing 3-1 victory to extend their unbeaten run to eight matches

and take them into top place.

United are substantially the best-supported team in the section. Leading positions in the crowd chart after last Saturday's games:

	Aggregate	Average
Sheffield United	87,443	12,492
Bradford City	37,955	6,326
Blackpool	25,700	5,140
Wigan Athletic	30,824	5,137

Bradford City, the previous leaders, were beaten for the second Saturday in succession when they took the long trip down to Torquay. The Plainmoor club had earlier been among the pace-makers but they had suffered a run of five matches without a win when they faced Bradford. But two first-half goals from Steve Cooper tied it up for the Devon club who now hope to resume their quest for promotion.

Blackpool have got some catching up to do on their home games. Their recent scheduled match with Port Vale had to be postponed because of illness in the Vale camp and that meant they played four consecutive away games. Fortunately, they managed to win two of them — one of them 4-0 at York — so they are still in touch with the promotion chase.

Hull City's 1-2 defeat at Port Vale left them looking back on a run of nine games without a win and now the Tigers face the prospect of being forced into the first re-application plea in their long history. Hull, relegated at the end of last season, are playing in the Fourth Division for the first time and diminishing support forced them to sell striker Keith Edwards back to Sheffield United for £95,000 a few weeks ago. Hull bought Keith from the Blades for £60,000 in 1978 and he had been their leading scorer in each of his three seasons at Boothferry Park. Since returning to Sheffield United, Keith has scored seven goals in seven League outings.

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HOME																										
Aldershot			3-2	2-0					0-0	3-1	1-2			2-3								2-0	2-1			0-1
Blackpool							1-1	5-0		7-1			3-1		1-1			1-0	2-0						0-0	
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Bradford	4-1						2-1								7-1		3-2	3-0	4-0	0-2		2-0			5-3	
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Colchester	1-1											4-0		5-1				0-2	1-2	3-0			0-1			
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Peterboro'	7-1		1-0					3-0				3-1		1-0				5-1		1-1	1-0				0-1	
Port Vale							2-1			0-0			2-1	0-0		1-3				0-2	1-0		0-0			
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COMING SHORTLY

CHELSEA FOOTBALL CLUB

NEXT Wednesday evening, Wigan Athletic supporters will have the privilege of witnessing a milestone in the history of their club. Not only will the Latics, for the first time, take part in a Third Round Football League Cup tie, but the visitors for the night will be the illustrious Chelsea Football Club.

For more years than "The Blues" supporters may care to remember, Chelsea was the target for bantering comedians, who told and retold joke after joke about the club they nicknamed "The Pensioners". Formed in 1905, a year in which the club not only turned professional, but also adopted Limited Company status, Chelsea Football Club have enjoyed seventy-six years of First and Second Division Football League soccer. For all the quality players, and top-class management employed, Chelsea have only rarely tasted success. Indeed, apart from Division Two runners-up honours in 1906-1907, 1911-1912 and 1929-1930, supporters of the Stamford Bridge club had little to enthuse about in the pre-Second World War era. Even since then, faced by the challenge of other quality City sides, "The Blues" have had to battle for recognition. However, a First Division championship honour in season 1954-1955, an F.A. Cup winning success in 1970, a Football League Cup Final success in 1964-1965, and a European Cup-Winners' Cup triumph in 1970-1971, are evidence of the undoubted pedigree of next Wednesday's visitors.

Few Wigan Athletic supporters will need reminding of the epic Third Round victory by our team, at Stamford Bridge, on a bitterly cold night in January, 1980, when a glorious Tommy Gore chip stunned the London critics and gained Latics a place in the Fourth Round of the F.A. Cup. That night, the Wigan Athletic players displayed all the guts and character, for which the club had been famous in its non-league days. Surviving a second-half barrage of attacks, when Chelsea hit the Wigan defence with everything but military bombardment, our boys won through and went on to meet Everton at Goodison Park. Very few players who took part in that game will be on view next week, but such is the intriguing nature of soccer that Ian McNeill, our manager in that glorious F.A. Cup run, now finds himself, following his departure from Springfield Park last season, cast in the role of Assistant Manager to Chelsea, aiding John Neal, an old friend of his, to plot the Latics downfall in this year's Football League Cup competition. No quarter will be asked or given, as Chelsea seek revenge for what must have been an unexpectedly humiliating experience. Don't miss this opportunity of seeing history made at Springfield Park, and arrive early to get a good position for the promised gladiatorial contest.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

WEDNESDAY, 11th NOVEMBER, 1981

WIGAN ATHLETIC -v- CHELSEA

FOOTBALL LEAGUE CUP, THIRD ROUND

Please note the revised kick-off time of 7.45 p.m.

SATURDAY, 21st NOVEMBER, 1981.

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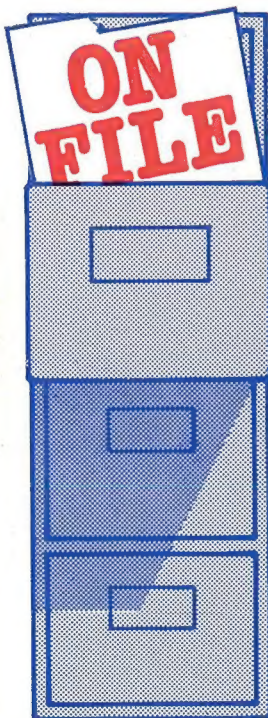
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AS AN Assistant to the Secretary, one obviously expects to take over sometime after Christmas, and I was gradually compiling certain paragraphs for "ON FILE". But alas, today, on returning from lunch there was a message on my desk which read "ON FILE" — gone to Lytham St. Annes . . .? Knowing Colin, I knew that meant "get that article written" — quickly; as I knew Jack Sudworth, the Programme Editor, was going blue in the face, as the target time for printing was getting very close. Such is football, you are either busy or very quiet — there is no happy medium.

Everything seems to come at once — success with the team — success in the Cups and home advantage. To be drawn at home in important cup-ties means extra work and hours for every member of the staff. Strange to say, we all love it. Even Merle Ward, our Clerk/Typist, who is probably the busiest of all, enjoys every minute — especially the minute the last Stand ticket has been sold. She can then bang down the enquiry window and whilst Colin, the Secretary, is writing a bold

notice "SOLD OUT", she proceeds to make tea for a tired office staff. Phew!! I hope we get through all the Cup rounds, and drawn at home each time.

Success doesn't only affect the Secretary and Office Staff, but everyone — Bill Mitchell and Phil Lowe, who are in charge of the ground are having extra games, which means longer hours — the "Laundry Queen" Irene has extra kit to cope with — the Manager and his coaching staff have their problems and "Dunc" the physio is more busy attending to minor injuries caused through extra games. Even the Club Doctor is almost as busy at the ground as in his practice — and Dennis Hall, the Club Chaplain, has joined in helping in the office on many occasions.

Enjoy today's game, and I shall probably be speaking to you again sometime before Christmas.

Jack Farrimond,

Ass. Secretary



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THE LOCAL VIEW



by Harold Ashurst

THE crackdown on players being cautioned or sent off for using foul language in local soccer games seems to be paying dividends. Both the Wigan Amateur League and the Post and Chronicle Sunday League have become increasingly concerned this season about foul language — one Wigan Amateur League club has already been expelled — but now there is a light at the end of the tunnel.

Amateur League General Secretary Mike Taylor commented this week: "We were determined to stamp this out and now at last it seems the club secretaries are helping us with our fight, only this week one club told us they had disowned a player who was technically sent off an incredible THREE TIMES in one match recently and we are getting support from many other clubs."

Still on the Amateur League, Bispham, who have recently been on the lookout for a secretary/manager have been successful at last — Tommy Cheers has decided to go back to the job he vacated a few weeks ago. Apparently, Tommy became disillusioned about the lack of help he received in the job, but, after assurances from the players that they would pull their weight, he decided to go back. Clubs should realise just what gems

secretaries are at Amateur level and should do their utmost to keep them.

Just as precious are those teachers who gave up their free time to run schoolboy football and today, players from all over the Wigan area, will be in the Wigan Metro Primary Schools team playing in a friendly match at Chorley in preparation for the Greater Manchester County competitions. More than 50 boys took part in a series of trial matches and the team for the first game will be selected from: C. Clayton, C. Greenalgh, J. Imrie, G. Fitzmartin, C. Greaves, S. Kirkpatrick, P. Wilde, G. Curits, G. Firth, S. Flannery, P. Holman, N. Oddie, J. Fagan, M. Yeates, J. Hart, M. Wainwright, J. Parkinson and J. Roberts.

Somewhat higher up the soccer ladder, Wigan Rovers maintained their impressive start to the season with a 2-0 win at local rivals, Ashton Athletic last weekend. Steve Rimmer and Steve Dickens scored the goals.

Finally, Wigan Referees are the second team to go through to the quarter finals of the Wigan Observer Six-a-Side Competition being played on the Latics Leisure Centre every Friday night. They join first week's winners Saracen's Head.

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HOSPITAL BROADCAST

As you know, commentary on every first team match and cup-tie is broadcast to Wigan Infirmary, Billinge and Wrightington hospitals, and some weeks ago, we asked if you would like to send a message, especially a humorous one, to someone who was a patient. Over the years, more than one person has said how much better he/she felt simply through hearing their name mentioned on their bedside radio. Indeed, one man who still enjoys good health, said he felt he was actually dying a good number of

years ago, until he heard his name mentioned, and the effect this had on him, the other patients, and staff, changed the course of his life.

* Since the last mention in the programme, only one message has been sent, and the commentators find it difficult to believe that, in that time, only one supporter has had a sports-loving friend in one of the three hospitals on the circuit.

If you have a message, please write it simply and clearly (with your name and address) and hand it in to the Club Office, addressed to "Hospital Commentary". Stand patrons who may wish to send a message personally are very welcome to come to the Commentary position at the Shevington end of the stand at half-time and do just that, (providing you can let us know beforehand).

Any contributions to this section of the programme should be addressed to "Notice Board", Commercial Department, Wigan Athletic A.F.C. Ltd., Springfield Park, Wigan.



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MONEY MATTERS



IT HAS been an education this last seven days to be working in the Commercial Department offices at Springfield Park. Never can so much money have been circulated for so many different aspects of the club's operations in such a short period of time. On the one hand, we have had the routine receipt of programme, souvenir, cushion and lottery money circulating as usual. On the other hand, we have had the rush to purchase tickets for the forthcoming Football League Cup game against Chelsea, to be played next Wednesday. Bill Brown, Helen and I, aided and abetted by the welcome and additional help of "new boy" David Roberts, and "old girls" Gillian from the kiosk and Carol and Christine from the lottery, have whipped tickets and money in and out of the Soccer Shop window faster than a fiddler's elbow (quotation by courtesy of Bill Brown). No pound, or stone for that matter, has been left unturned in our efforts to take full advantage of our good fortune in drawing Chelsea.

Add to that lot, the preparation of match day programmes, efforts to sell tickets for a Star-Night at Poolstock Labour Club, the Sportsmen's Dinner at Tiffany's, and the

distribution of leaflets for the "Director for a Day" promotion, and you can see that life has been pretty full. On Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of this week, our office was open from 8.45 a.m. in the morning until after 9 p.m. each evening, to allow for the carrying out of extra duties under great pressure. At the time of writing these notes, we still have six days to go, one match day and one programme and a bit to prepare, before we actually get to grips with the problems of dealing with our "night of nights". Routine work has to be carried on, the public have to be dealt with efficiently and courteously, and staff are left to snatch a moment or two off, whenever the brief opportunity arises. I have said it before, and I will say it again, Wigan Athletic are very, very, lucky indeed to have such conscientious employees as can be found within the Commercial Department offices. When praise is due, I don't believe in false modesty. A pat on the back at the right time never does anyone any harm.

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RESERVE

Revised Reserve Team Fixture List for November and December, Season 1981-1982

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17th November	Wrexham	Home	Kick-off 7.00pm

LANCASHIRE LEAGUE

14th November	O'ham Ath. Res.	Home	Kick-off 2.30pm
21st November	Barrow Res.	Away	Kick-off 2.30pm
28th November	St'port Cnty 'A'	Home	Kick-off 2.30pm
12th December	Everton 'A'	Away	Kick-off 2.30pm
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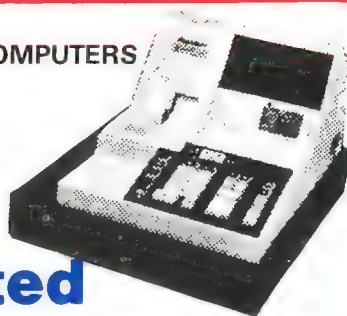
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CHRISTMAS PARTIES

O.A.P's party will be held on Thursday, 17th December and the Children's Party Sunday, 20th December, 1.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. Anyone wishing to attend please place your name on the lists provided on the notice board; these will be taken down on Saturday 21st November and no additions will be made after this date for any reason whatsoever.

FORTHCOMING ATTRACTIONS

On Thursday, 26th November, The Country & Western Nights return, by courtesy of Kentucky Promotions, tickets are 80p. with a 30p. concession to Supporters' Club members.

WIGAN RHEUMATISM & ARTHRITIS GROUP

Would you please note that due to the third Round League Cup-tie with Chelsea, the monthly meeting will now be held on Wednesday 18th November at 7.30 p.m. This meeting will also incorporate the Bring & Buy Evening. Remember, you do not have to be a member to attend these meetings, and any help would be appreciated.

NOEL WARD BENEFIT

On Thursday, 19th November at 8.00 p.m. there will be a Concert held in the club with Johnny Meadows, Kathy Lester, Cliff North and Alan Lewis. This promises to be another excellent night with tickets priced at 40p. I would like to thank all of you who turned out last Thursday for the Film Show. Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves, despite not having the City v Latics film. The tickets are available for the Couples Night to be held at the Riverside on December 10th, priced £16, which includes dinner, dancing, cabaret and disco.

PLEASE NOTE THAT FOR THE MATCH WITH CHELSEA, MEMBERSHIP CARDS WILL HAVE TO BE SHOWN, BEFORE AND AFTER THE MATCH TO OBTAIN ENTRANCE TO THE CLUB.

ENTERTAINMENT IN THE CLUB THIS WEEK-END

Saturday 7th November. DES NEWTON
Sunday 8th November. SHEILA FONTAINE

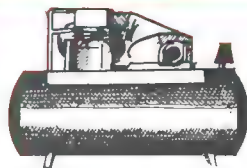
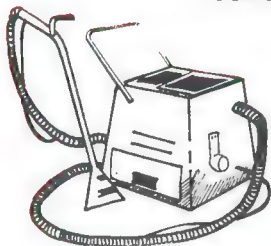
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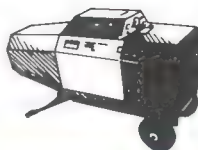
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THIS AFTERNOON, we again have as our visitors, our old friends from the West Country, Hereford United Football Club. We are delighted to welcome the directors, management, staff and supporters of the United to Springfield Park today.

As we remarked in our Coming Shortly feature last issue, our visitors today are proving very difficult opposition in this year's Fourth Division League encounters. Previous games between Wigan Athletic and Hereford

United, since our election to the Football League, have been very dour and uncompromising affairs, with goals at a premium. Let us hope, for the sake of the spectators, that today we can witness a goal feast. Our own team has attacked and attacked at home recently, without really gaining the reward that their lively play has deserved. Hereford, for their part, gained the better of York City recently, at Bootham Crescent, by the odd goal in seven, so there is

ample evidence that together in attack, difficult for the opposition defence.

As old rivals from Edgar Street, always pleased to visit, a good afternoon's return visit to the Wigan season.

PREVIOUS LEAGUE RESULTS

Season 1978-1979
19th Aug. 1978

Hereford Utd. 0 Wigan Ath 0
H.T. Score 0-0 Att. 5,674
Scorers —
Wigan Ath. 0 Hereford Utd. 0
H.T. Score 0-0 Att. 4,876
Scorers

28th Mar. 1979

Season 1979-1980
22nd Sept. 1979

Hereford Utd. 2 Wigan Ath. 1
H.T. Score 0-0 Att. 3,891
Scorers Hereford Utd Hunt & Phillips
Wigan Ath Wright
Wigan Ath 1 Hereford Utd. 1
H.T. Score 0-0 Att. 6,381
Scorers Wigan Ath. Corrigan
Hereford Utd Burrows

9th Feb. 1980

Season 1980-1981
29th Nov. 1980

11th Feb. 1981

Hereford Utd. 1 Wigan Ath. 0
H.T. Score 0-0 Att. 3,891
Scorers Hereford Utd Hunt & Phillips
Wigan Ath Wright
Wigan Ath 1 Hereford Utd. 1
H.T. Score 0-0 Att. 6,381
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a venue that we are
sit. We look forward to a
entertainment and our
est Country later in the

Hereford Utd. 1 Wigan Ath. 1
Score 1-1 Att. 2,328
Hereford Utd. Bartley
Wigan Ath Houghton
Wigan Ath 1 Hereford Utd. 0
Score 0-0 Att. 3,370
Hereford Utd. Wright
Hereford Utd. —

PERSONALITIES

DANNY BARTLEY Born Poulton, Som. Signed from Swansea City, March 1980, for whom he made 199 appearances during their promotion from the fourth to the second division. Started his career with Bristol City and since joining Hereford has only missed one first team game out of a possible 69. Was noted United "Player of the Year" last season.

DREW BRAND Born Edinburgh. Signed for Everton, May 1980, for whom he made his debut in the First Division, had a spell on loan with Crewe Alexandra before joining United. Made 26 first team appearances last season.

IAN BRAY Born Neath. First signed for the Club as an Apprentice in July 1979, from school, was signed as a full professional Dec. 80.

STUART CORNES Born Usk. Joined the Club from school as an Apprentice Professional, was signed as a full professional in January 1978, has since played 102 games for the Club. Former Welsh schoolboy international.

IAN DOBSON Born Hull. Signed from Hull City in June 1980 where he had been since leaving school, was a Hull and Yorkshire U/15 and U/18 player and made over 100 first team appearances for that Club.

JIMMY HARVEY Born Lurgan. Signed from Arsenal in June 1980. Gained a Youth and Full International Cap for Northern Ireland. Has made 53 League and Cup appearances for United during last season and is the present Captain of the side.

KEITH HICKS Born Oldham. Signed from Oldham Athletic, September 1980 for whom he made over 250 League & Cup appearances. He is a former England Youth international and since joining United has made over 50 first team appearances.

TOMMY HUGHES Born Dalmuir. The senior professional on the Club's books having signed from Aston Villa in August 1973. Started his career with Chelsea F.C., has twice been capped by Scotland at under 23 level. Has made a record number of 226 League appearances during his eight years at Edgar Street.

JOE LAIDLAW Born Wallsend. Signed for the Club in December 1980 along with Derek Showers from Portsmouth. Has made over 450 League appearances during service with Middlesbrough, Carlisle United, Doncaster Rovers, Portsmouth and now United.

SEAN LANE Born Bristol. Signed as an Apprentice Professional from school, July 1980, signed full professional February 1981. Made his debut for the Club at the start of last season when four months short of his 17th birthday he became the youngest player ever to play in ten first team games. Former England schoolboy international.

FRANK MCGRELLIS Born Falkirk. Signed from Coventry City March 1979. Had a spell on loan with Huddersfield Town from Coventry during which he made his League debut. Has been United's top scorer for the last two seasons.

MEL PEJIC Born Chesterton. Signed for United from Stoke City June 1980, for whom he made one First Division appearance, against Ipswich. Injury limited his first team appearances last season to 18. He is a brother to the former England international Mike Pejic.

STUART PHILLIPS Born Halifax. Joined the Club from school June 1978 signed full professional November 1979. He became the youngest player to represent Hereford United at first team level whilst still an Associated schoolboy. First team appearances restricted last season due to injury.

CHRIS PRICE Born Hereford. Joined the Club from school May 1976, signed Professional January 1978. A product of local school football and made his debut for United in a second division match against Notts County just a few days after his seventeenth birthday. A former England Youth International, has made over 150 first team appearances for the Club.

DEREK SHOWERS Born Merthyr Tydfil. Joined the Club from Portsmouth in December 1980 along with Joe Laidlaw. Started his career with Cardiff City, moved to A.F.C. Bournemouth and Portsmouth, has made over 200 League appearances. A former Welsh U/23 and full international.

PETER SPIRING Born Glastonbury. Joined the Club from Luton Town in April 1976, after service with Bristol City and Liverpool, has made nearly 200 first team appearances since joining United. He is also a former England Youth International.

WINSTON WHITE Born Leicester. Signed for the Club from Leicester City in March 1979. Made his League debut for Leicester City in a First Division match against Stoke City in March 1977 and the following year had the distinction of scoring at Anfield but Liverpool hit back to win 3-2. Has made over 100 League appearances for United, 53 last season.

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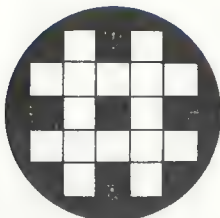
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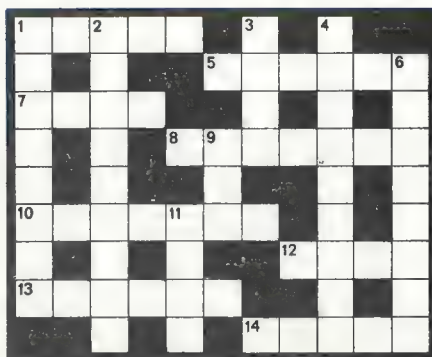
PUZZLE PAGE



ON THE BALL No. 10

Every answer has five letters and the first one fits into the top line, but you have to decide where the rest must go.

--- Rimet; Sell it! Table-topping manager in 1980-81; St. Johnstone's town.



CLUB CLUE No. 10

Solve this cryptic clue to identify a soccer side:

One with a bull-nose make of car (though not that make!)

SOCCER NINETY-NINER

No. 10 (compiled by David Peck)

ACROSS

1. Exercises some ball-control (5)
5. Popular, palindromic midfielder whose clubs included Newcastle, Lincoln, Manchester City, Notts County and Bradford City (6)
7. McCulloch, maybe (4)
8. He managed Hereford between Addison and Ford (7)
10. Despite being joint second-highest scorer in the First Division last season, his club was relegated (7)
12. Norman Bell has frequently broken his (4)
13. Benny --- managed Morton into the Premier Division (6)
14. See 1 down

DOWN

1. & 14ac. End-of-season circulars which mean bye-bye to players and buy-buy to clubs (8,5)
2. Club for whom Colin Garwood has top scored in the last two seasons (9)
3. --- Price, a summer signing for Spurs (4)
4. The least-fancied club in a cup match — though, no doubt, "The Terriers" would object to being labelled this! (9)
6. England international who joined Internazionale and carried on being capped (8)
9. McCulloch, maybe (3)
11. Miller or McLeish (4)

MIXED DOUBLES No. 10

Re-order the letters in each of the words **LEASH** and **THICKEN** to find the names of two strikers.

QUICK QUIZ No. 10

1. Who was "The Galloping Major"?
2. What was the name of the film of the 1966 World Cup finals in England?
3. How many times have Crystal Palace applied for re-election?
4. Which club won its only promotion in 1904?
5. What is the northernmost major club in England?

ANSWERS ON PAGE 30

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1981/82 SERIES

OUT & ABOUT



with Chris Gill

HAVE YOU ever really put your foot in it with the most innocent of remarks which just happen to have been made at the wrong time. Well I did at Chesterfield last season, when Latics travelled to Saltergate to complete their FA Cup first round tie. The press box was like something out of Gilliver's Travels. Seats were tiny and the area was so small you couldn't swing a cat in it (my apologies to animal lovers). Anyway, I had just uttered something like "This place is only fit for midgets," when... yes you've guessed... a bloke, all of 4'10", plonked down on the seat behind me. I soon discovered, in trying to hide my embarrassment with pleasant conversation, that he was the local reporter. It only occurred to me later that he probably got the job because he really did fit the bill. (pure corn, again).

Surprisingly, lots of things go on, in and round press boxes on match days. But it came as a surprise, on reaching Spotland one night, to find some Rochdale fans didn't think much of the press... and had actually ripped all the facilities out. So there we all sat, almost in darkness, using our knees to

prop up a plank of wood on which we laid our note books.

It was almost worse, it's much better now, than on a trip to Halifax, where the crowd at one end of the ground were seen sheltering under **ONE** tree! Some of the folk one meets on one's (like it!) travels are a little unusual. Some squabble because you didn't hire a phone from them, others, known as the Mr. Fixits, are responsible for handing out match programmes and cling to them protectively like £10 notes. Others make no bones about it, they just ignore you. I am not really looking forward to next week's return to York, because last year I took their money off them... (1-0 to Gill). A sweep was organised for the 20 or so folk in the press box, and in the stand, who could guess the crowd. After the match two people asked me how I'd managed to get so close to the official attendance, particularly being a visitor to a strange arena. Truthfully, I told them: "I counted the crowd of course". — and I did!!

Anyway, all visitors to Springfield Park are afforded great courtesy. After all, anyone brave enough to venture forth deserves it (sorry, Larry, I was only kidding... help!)

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FOOTBALL LEAGUE ATTENDANCES 1980-81

FIRST DIVISION

	Home	Home ave
Arsenal	682,077	32,480
Aston Villa	706,465	33,641
Birmingham C	404,199	19,248
Brighton & HA	398,660	18,984
Coventry C	354,986	16,904
Crystal Palace	404,877	19,280
Everton	548,211	26,105
Ipswich T	517,002	24,619
Leeds U	448,925	21,377
Leicester C	408,993	19,476
Liverpool	788,490	37,547
Manchester C	705,328	33,587
Manchester U	946,401	45,071
Middlesbrough	345,076	16,432
Norwich C	359,943	17,140
Nottingham F	514,133	24,483
Southampton	451,114	21,481
Stoke C	327,183	15,580
Sunderland	556,010	26,477
Tottenham H	645,198	30,724
WBA	426,954	20,331
Wolverhampton W	452,570	21,551

TOTAL

11,392,894

SECOND DIVISION

	Home	Home ave
Blackburn R	245,357	11,684
Bolton W	206,796	9847
Bristol C	205,063	9765
Bristol R	124,509	5929
Cambridge U	121,711	5796
Cardiff C	142,098	6767
Chelsea	375,832	17,897
Derby Co	350,320	16,682
Grimsby T	230,175	10,961
Luton T	216,106	10,291
Newcastle U	336,015	11,239
Notts Co	200,580	9551
Oldham Ath	136,712	6510
Orient	127,591	6076
Preston NE	160,246	7631
QPR	229,663	10,936
Sheffield W	391,104	18,624
Shrewsbury T	117,945	5616
Swensea C	276,008	13,143
Watford	275,268	13,108
West Ham U	569,948	27,140
Wrexham	136,395	6495

TOTAL

5,175,442

THIRD DIVISION

	Home	Home ave
Barnsley	294,407	12,800
Blackpool	134,848	5863
Brentford	155,297	6752
Burnley	148,791	6469
Carlisle U	93,467	4064
Charlton Ath	165,739	7206
Chester	66,518	2892
Chesterfield	168,616	7331
Colchester U	60,840	2645
Exeter C	104,859	4559
Fulham	116,377	5060
Gillingham	107,547	4676
Huddersfield T	265,602	11,548
Hull C	99,339	4319
Millwall	103,355	4494
Newport Co	130,701	5683
Oxford U	95,043	4132
Plymouth Arg	155,626	6766
Portsmouth	310,830	13,514
Reading	125,090	5439
Rotherham U	183,662	7985
Sheffield U	293,758	12,772
Swindon T	159,449	6933
Walsall	98,093	4265

TOTAL

3,637,854

FOURTH DIVISION

	Home	Home ave
Aldershot	68,748	2989
AFC Bournemouth	77,731	3380
Bradford C	65,741	2858
Bury	63,200	2748
Crewe Alex	66,904	2909
Darlington	58,350	2537
Doncaster R	124,471	5412
Halifax T	44,258	1924
Hartlepool U	71,637	3115
Hereford U	56,216	2444
Lincoln C	108,449	4715
Mansfield T	78,204	3400
Northampton T	53,024	2305
Peterborough U	95,148	4137
Port Vale	62,973	2738
Rochdale	56,576	2460
Scunthorpe U	54,213	2357
Southend U	140,196	6095
Stockport Co	53,711	2335
Torquay U	47,151	2050
Tranmere R	43,726	1901
Wigan Ath	101,985	4434
Wimbledon	57,133	2484
York C	51,634	2245

TOTAL

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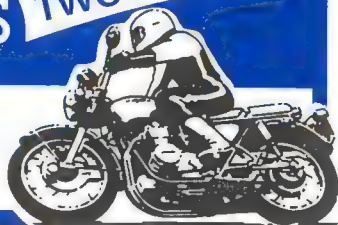
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THE 'Junior Latics' reached another milestone in its short lifetime, when, on Monday evening at our Film Night, we enrolled our 300th member.

It's an amazing achievement when you consider that we have only been in existence since August, and it is a testament to the drawing power of Wigan Athletic as a Football Club, when Mums and Dads as well as hundreds of children and young people, pack the Supporters' Club on 'Junior Latics' nights.

But success brings its problems, as well as great satisfaction, because I shudder to think what will happen if all our members, and their parents, decide to attend one of our meetings at all the same time. As it is, we have been averaging around 210 children with 40 or 50 adults and the Club has been full. It creates a marvellous atmosphere, but as I say, if all 300 turn up with 60 or 70 Mums and Dads, we could have problems. But I am not complaining — these are the sort of problems that most organisations wish they had.

Before our first meeting in September, we had 147 members, so, after just three meetings, we have more than doubled our membership. Makes you think doesn't it?

Stuart Cooper

When Stuart Cooper resigned this week as Chairman of our Supporters' Club, Wigan Athletic lost someone it will find very difficult to replace. I only hope that whatever the reasons for his resignation, we at the Club will have the privilege of working with Stuart again in the near future.

Noel Ward — Sponsored Walk

Noel Ward was the one player, in recent times, who came close to gaining International recognition whilst playing for 'The Latics'. Few who saw the game will forget the moment that tragedy struck and a brilliant career was brought to an end. To support Noel's Testimonial Season we are holding a sponsored walk here at Springfield Park, on 8th November, at 10.00 a.m. for all Junior Latics members.

Everton v Latics

We are grateful to a "Fanatical Latics Supporter" for sponsoring our next meeting, which will be held on Thursday next, 12th November at 6.45 p.m. As well as the Daily Mirror Socceroscope, we have been lucky enough to have been loaned the Everton v Wigan Cup Tie by Granada Television. It's great to see Joe Hinnigan in a Latics shirt again.

Matchday Mascot

Today's Mascot is Carl Rudd.

His hobbies are football and swimming, and the two teams he supports are Wigan Athletic and Manchester United.

His favourite players are Larry Lloyd and Jeff Wright.

Have a happy day Carl.

John Fillingham,

Chairman.



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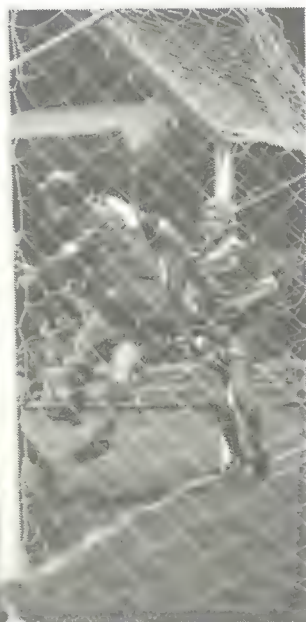




**"Jimmy Weston cracks home the winner
against Darlington"**

**"Almost another goal for Wigan Athletic
against Darlington, but the ball is headed off
the line"**

Photographs by David Cookson.



SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Football League Cup, Third Round
WIGAN ATHLETIC v CHELSEA

Wednesday, 11th November, 1981.

Kick-off 7.45 p.m.

Spectators are asked to note that, in the interests of safety, the car park in front of the ground will not be available for their use. Ample parking is available in the streets near to the ground, but, in view of the large crowd anticipated, spectators are advised to arrive early, and are asked to observe parking restrictions imposed by the police, at various points.

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JAN. 9 Sheffield United
JAN. 16 PETERBOROUGH UNITED
JAN. 23 BRADFORD CITY
JAN. 30 Northampton Town

FEB. 6 HARTLEPOOL UNITED
Feb. 8 Port Vale
Feb. 13 Tranmere Rovers
Feb. 20 Tranmere Rovers
Feb. 26 Stockport County

MAR. 6 Hull City
Mar. 10 Bury
Mar. 12 Scunthorpe United
Mar. 16 Darlington
Mar. 20 Colchester United
Mar. 27 Hereford United

APR. 2 York City
Apr. 9 Blackpool
Apr. 10 Crewe Alexandra
Apr. 17 Halifax Town
Apr. 24 Rochdale

MAY 1 Peterborough United
May 5 A.F.C. Bournemouth
May 8 Mansfield Town
May 15 Aldershot

F.A. CUP FIRST ROUND PROPER

The draw includes the following games to be played on Saturday, 21st November, 1981.

Bishop Auckland	v	Nuneaton Borough
Blyth Spartans	v	Walsall
Boston United	v	Kettering Town
Burnley	v	Runcorn
Chesterfield	v	Preston North End
Darlington	v	Carlisle United
Halifax Town	v	Peterborough United
Horden Colliery Welfare	v	Blackpool
Lincoln City	v	Port Vale
Mansfield Town	v	Doncaster Rovers
Penrith	v	Chester
Rochdale	v	Hull City
Scunthorpe United	v	Bradford City
Sheffield United	v	Altrincham
Stafford Rangers	v	York City
Stockport County	v	Mossley
Tranmere Rovers	v	Bury
Wigan Athletic	v	Hartlepool United
Willenhall Town	v	Crewe Alexandra
Workington	v	Huddersfield Town

FOURTH DIVISION LEAGUE TABLE AS AT 5th NOVEMBER, 1981

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	Away	A	Pts.
Sheffield Utd.	14	5	2	0	18	5	0	2	12	7	32
Bradford City	14	5	1	0	18	9	5	0	7	16	9
Peterborough U.	14	5	1	1	20	4	3	3	1	7	31
A.F.C. Bournemouth	14	5	2	0	11	3	4	1	2	6	30
Bury	14	7	0	0	26	6	2	0	3	10	29
Colchester Utd.	14	5	1	1	22	4	4	0	3	12	8
Wigan Athletic	14	6	0	1	12	5	2	3	2	11	27
Blackpool	14	5	1	0	20	4	2	4	2	13	11
Torquay Utd.	14	5	1	1	13	7	3	1	3	7	26
Hartlepool Utd.	14	3	1	3	10	11	2	2	3	8	18
Port Vale	13	3	2	2	6	7	2	1	3	7	18
Aldershot	14	3	1	3	11	9	2	2	3	10	19
Stockport County	14	5	0	2	16	7	0	2	5	2	11
Sheffield Utd.	14	1	4	2	8	9	2	3	2	12	16
Tranmere Rovers	14	1	3	3	3	7	3	1	3	9	11
Darlington	14	2	4	1	8	9	0	4	3	5	10
Hull City	14	3	1	3	9	9	0	3	4	13	13
Rochdale	14	2	3	2	8	6	1	1	5	3	14
York City	14	1	5	1	18	3	0	3	4	8	15
Halifax Town	14	1	3	3	5	9	1	3	4	8	16
Mansfield Town	14	1	3	3	11	12	1	1	5	4	13
Scunthorpe Utd.	14	2	3	2	12	13	0	1	6	2	14
Crewe Alexandra	14	1	0	6	7	11	2	0	5	3	17
Northampton T.	15	1	3	4	8	12	0	2	5	8	24

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Comment

FROM THE CHAIR

I AM delighted to welcome my very good friend Peter Hill, the Hereford United Chairman, and his colleagues, to Springfield Park this afternoon. Frank Lord is also a very welcome visitor. I have known Frank for many years, and we shared some very happy times together in South Africa. I always thought he had a lot to offer the game. We wish Peter and Frank all the success in the world, but obviously not today.

By now, if all the formalities have been completed, our supporters will know that we have again taken the plunge into the transfer market place, to acquire the very experienced Roy Tunks, to add to our goalkeeping strength. With over 400 Football League games to his credit, we are sure that Roy will be a real asset in our push for promotion from this year's very competitive

Fourth Division.

When you weigh up that, since the end of last season, almost £75,000 has changed hands to acquire the services of Clive Evans, Graham Barrow, Jimmy Weston, and now Roy Tunks, you will appreciate the efforts that are being made to put a good team out on the park. In fact, every player signed, even those on "free transfers", costs Wigan Athletic money. Even though we are losing a considerable amount of money every week, we are still pushing the boat out and we are still prepared to go out on a limb, because you don't get success without taking calculated risks. Business is all about taking risks. I am putting my faith in the Wigan public, believing that, if we give them the goods, they will turn up and give us their support. If I did not believe that, I would not spend a single penny on a player. Looking around the Fourth Division, we are one of the few clubs actually spending money in the quest for success. Please give us your support. Enjoy today's game.

Yours sincerely,

Freddie Pye

Freddie Pye, Chairman.

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down Down: 1 & 14ac transfer lists 2. Aldershot 3. Paul 4. underdogs 6. Hitchens 9. Ian 11. Alex
ON THE BALL No. 10 — Jules; dummy; Smith; Perth.
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 - 4 Mark Wignall
 - 5 Larry Lloyd
 - 6 Colin Methven
 - 7 David Glenn
 - 8 Graham Barrow
 - 9 Les Bradd
 - 10 Peter Houghton
 - 11 Jimmy Weston
 - 12 Clive Evans

TEAM CHECK

OFFICIALS

Referee: **Mr. N. J. Ashley**
(Nantwich)

Commenced refereeing in 1964 in Crewe and District League, and graduated through Mid-Cheshire and Cheshire County to the Football League Linesmen's List in 1971. Supplementary List in 1973 and the Full List in 1974. Was linesman in a European Cup Winners Cup match in 1974, also a Football League Cup Semi-Final in the 1973/74 season, Wales v Scotland (Under 23) International 1976 and Charity Shield reserve referee.

A married man, with two children, he is a professional buyer — Pharmaceuticals — and his interest is in referee coaching and keeping fit. Is Secretary of the Crewe and District F.A. Referees. Won representative honours at middle distance and cross country running, and was ranked in the British 880 Yards list in 1958. Chairman of Association of Football League Referees and Linesmen (North West and North Wales Section). Member of the F.A. Panel of speakers for Referee instructors.

Linesmen: **Red Flag**
Mr. J.A. Lewis
(Marford, Nr. Wrexham)

Yellow Flag
Mr. S. Sefton
(Liverpool)

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(All Red)

- 1 Tommy Hughes
- 2 Chris Price
- 3 Ian Bray
- 4 Keith Hicks
- 5 Ian Dobson
- 6 Peter Spiring
- 7 Jimmy Harvey
- 8 Joe Laidlaw
- 9 Stuart Phillips
- 10 John Dungworth
- 11 Winston White
- 12 Sean Lane

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Wednesday, 11th November, 1981
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WIGAN ATHLETIC v CHELSEA
Football League Cup Third Round